

Page 14, line 24, delete "which was a carrier".
 line 8, after "removed" insert -- completely --;
 line 16, change "treatment" to -- chromatography --.
 Page 15, line 8, after "removed" insert -- completely --.
 Page 15, line 5, delete "which was a carrier".
 Page 16, line 1, after "hydrophobic" insert -- (interaction) --;
 line 5, after "hydrophobic" insert -- (interaction) --;
 line 7, after "hydrophobic" insert -- (interaction) --;
 line 11, change "applied to" to -- purified by --.
 Page 20, line 26, after "hydrophobic" insert -- (interaction) --.

IN THE CLAIMS

Cancel claims 1-11 of the original international application submitted herewith as
 Attachment A and substitute therefor the following new claims:

-- 12. A heparin cofactor II-containing preparation substantially free of a degrading factor.

13. A heparin cofactor II-containing preparation substantially free of a degrading factor and degraded heparin cofactor II.

14. A heparin cofactor II-containing preparation substantially free of a degrading factor, wherein the heparin cofactor II has a purity of not less than 98%.

15. The heparin cofactor II-containing preparation of claim 12, which is substantially free of an infective virus.

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